

rest, David Ross and Nathaniel Ramsey, Esquires, had a majority of votes. Whereupon RESOLVED, That William Harrison, William Hindman, Uriah Forrest, David Ross and Nathaniel Ramsey, Esquires, be and are hereby declared to be delegates to represent this state in congress.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 4, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Chase, Mr. Wright, Mr. John Seney, Mr. Miller, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Harwood, Mr. N. Worthington, Mr. B. Worthington and Mr. Hollingsworth. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Richard Cromwell, a delegate returned for Washington county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

The bill for the benefit of Elizabeth Wilson, of Saint Mary's county, was read the second time and passed.

The report on the petition of James Taylor, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a resolution pursuant thereto.

Mr. Dent brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That the orphans court of Charles county be authorized and empowered to draw on the treasurer of the western shore in favour of James Taylor, a maimed militia soldier not heretofore provided for by law, for the lawful provision allowed to maimed soldiers, to commence from the first day of October, 1786.

Which was read the first and second time and assented to.

Mr. Wallace, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the commissioners, and other inhabitants, of Charles-town, have examined and considered the same, and are of opinion the prayer of the said petition is reasonable, and ought to be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Nicholas Tschudy, of Baltimore-town, setting forth, that in the year 1782, Archibald Golder, by the order of the governor and council, did press his house for the use of the French troops, for which he has received no satisfaction, and praying relief; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Quynn, Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Burges and Mr. T. Johnson, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Henry Owings, of Anne-Arundel county, and John Hollings, of Baltimore county, attorney in fact for Richard Dickson and wife, praying a law may pass to vest the legal title of a tract of land called Freeborn's Progress in the said Henry Owings and his heirs, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Paca, Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. Quynn and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Joshua Seney be added to the committee appointed on the petition of Thomas Miles.

A petition from John Selby, of Worcester county, setting forth, that a certain Parker Selby, deceased, was commissioned receiver of the quit-rents due to the proprietor of Maryland, and gave bond for the payment thereof; that there is a considerable sum still due for the said rents from the inhabitants of the said county; and praying an act may pass, empowering him to collect the balances aforesaid; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Paca, Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. J. Mitchell, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Faw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

YOUR committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Frederick-town, in Frederick county, respecting the streets in said town, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and from their own knowledge report, that the facts therein set forth are true; and they are of opinion the prayer of the said petition is reasonable, and ought to be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Paca be added to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. M'Mechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to establish the fees of justices of the peace; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Faw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

YOUR committee, to whom was referred the petition of the justices, and other inhabitants, of Frederick county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find, that the old court-house is in the situation complained of in said petition, and the new one in such a state that it is not fit either for holding the courts or depositing the records, which at present are very unsafe, and the gaol which was ordered to be built is not yet begun, and that the inhabitants are desirous to contribute for finishing the court-house and building the gaol.

Your committee are therefore of opinion, that the sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds ought to be assessed on the inhabitants of said county at their next March court, and the further sum of seven